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E.O. 12958: GDS 1/2/86 (BOVIS, H. EUGENE) OR-P
TAGS: PINT, KP, UR, AP, SA
SUBJECT: SITUATION IN AFGHANISTAN

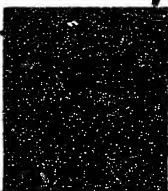
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2. TWO SAUDI NEWSPAPERS ON JAN 1 REFERRED IN COMMENTARY TO
THE POSSIBILITY THAT THE AFGHAN SITUATION MAY BE ON AGENDA
OF ISLAMIC CONFERENCE TO BE HELD IN SINGAPORE DURING
LATER PART OF JAN. POLITICAL COUNSELOR ASKED MFA DIRECTOR
FOR EASTERN AFFAIRS, ABBAS GHAZZAWI, ON JAN 2 IF SAUDI
ARABIA WAS PLANNING TO BRING AFGHAN SITUATION UP AT ISLAMIC
CONFERENCE.3. GHAZZAWI SAID THAT SAUDI ARABIA WAS CONSULTING ON THIS
SUBJECT WITH OTHER ISLAMIC COUNTRIES. SAQ WISHED TO KNOW
WHAT THE OUTCOME OF THE DISCUSSIONS WOULD BE BEFORE IT
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DECIDES TO RAISE THE ISSUE. THEY ARE NOW TRYING TO

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DETERMINE ATTITUDE OF OTHER ARAB COUNTRIES. SHAZZANI
NOTED THAT SYRIA HAS APPROVED SOVIET INTERVENTION IN
AFGHANISTAN, WHILE LYBIA AND IRAQ HAVE BEEN SILENT, HE
ASKED IF USG HAD DONE A SURVEY ON ARAB REACTION TO AFGHAN
SITUATION. HE WOULD APPRECIATE ANY ARAB REACTIONS WE CAN
RELAY TO HIM. WEST

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